

## LOCAL MENTION.

## AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

Academy—"Across the Pacific."  
 Bijou—Burlesque and vaudeville.  
 Chase—Percy Haswell in "The Liars."  
 Columbia—Andrew Mack in "Tom Moore."  
 Kermans—"Big Sensation Company."  
 Lafayette—Bellevue Stock Company in "An Enemy to the King."  
 National—"Rogers Brothers in Washington."  
 First Presbyterian Church—Stereoscopic lecture on Alaska.

## EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

Trains leave Pennsylvania avenue and 13th street for Alexandria and Arlington every half hour. Mount Vernon, hourly, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
 Steamer Manistee for Mount Vernon at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
 Steamer Washington for Fort Monroe and Norfolk at 6:30 p.m.  
 Cars leave Aqueduct bridge for Arlington and Mount Vernon at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Church hourly. See schedule.

## AUCTION SALES OF REAL ESTATE, ETC.

Today.  
 James W. Ratcliffe, aucr., 920 Pa. ave. n.w.—Executors' sale of No. 115 B st. s.e. on Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 4:30 p.m. Martin O'Donoghue and Daniel W. O'Donoghue, trustees.  
 Thomas J. Owen & Son, aucr., 913 F st. n.w.—Sale of Nos. 172-173 Pa. ave. n.w. on Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 4:30 p.m.

## TOMORROW.

C. G. Sloan & Co., aucr., 1407 G st. n.w.—Sale of household furniture, etc., on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 10:30 a.m. at auction rooms.

James W. Ratcliffe, aucr., 920 Pa. ave. n.w.—Chancery sale of dwelling at cor. of 4th and G sts. n.e. on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 4:30 p.m. George Francis Williams and Raymond Downing, trustees.

Duncan Bros., aucr., 925 and D sts. n.w.—Trustees' sale of No. 1255 Kenesaw st. n.w. on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 4:30 p.m. Louis B. Wine and Clarence B. Rheem, trustees.

Thomas J. Owen & Son, aucr., 913 F st. n.w.—Court sale of No. 22 D st. s.e. on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 4:30 p.m. Jacob H. Leblond, administrator.

J. G. Sheilar, aucr., 633 L ave. n.w.—Sale of 94 rolls of wall paper, chairs, carpets, furniture, etc., on Thursday, December 19 at 10 a.m. at auction rooms.

Gas Heating Stoves, \$125. C.A. Muddiman & Co., 1204 G.

616 12th. C.A. Muddiman & Co., 1204 G.

THE N. A.UTH PROVISION CO.'S HOME-DRESSED LEEF AND LAMB.

Are the choicest available. Steaks, Roasts, Chops, etc., of prime quality. Lowest wholesale and retail prices. Salesrooms, 625-629 D st. s.w. and K-st. Market.

A BEAUTIFUL XMAS PRESENT FREE.

Beginning Saturday morning we will give free, with every \$50. purchase, a handsome illustrated Xmas Book. Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., 541-543 7th st.

THE FINEST MEATS ARE KEANE'S.

Famous Washington Dressed Beef and Lamb—Steaks, Chops, etc., Order in person, by mail or phone. T. KEANE, 35-51 Center Mkt. and 9 Wholesale Row.

Gas and Oil Heaters, \$125 to \$500; Gas Radiators, \$200 up.

A. EBERLY'S SONS, 718 7th st.

LET THE XMAS BEVERAGE.

Be "Old Glory" if you want something every one will enjoy. None finer, more delicious, or more economical. Order by mail or phone. Phone Abner-Dry Brew Co.

PLANNING YOUR XMAS DINNER?

Of course, every one will enjoy the best. Remember then to put down Scholten's "Malt" Bread—the lightest, most wholesome and palatable made. At grocers', 5c.

KENNY'S HANDSOME XMAS PRESENT.

better than ever this year. Given away Saturday, Dec. 21, C. D. Kenny Co., Teas, Coffees, Sugars, 50 Stores.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Suits Dyed, Blankets and Lace Curtains Cleaned. Anton Fischer's, 906 G st. n.w.

Ladies' "Royal" Glee Anything. Kanna 10c.

FRUIT CAKE, 15c PER POUND.

Pound, two for 25 cents. WILKINS, 924 9th.

Oil Heaters, Gas Logs, Gas Heaters, 1204 G.

C. A. Muddiman & Co., 616 12th.

MISTLETOE full of berries.

WREATHS, evergreen and immortal. Fine Azaleas and Cyclamens, Palms, Ferns, Rubbers, etc., Cut Flowers. All of the best. Tel. 2724. J. R. Freeman, 612 13th n.w.

## CITY AND DISTRICT.

## Odd Fellows to Make Merry.

The interfraternity announced for tomorrow night the National High School of Washington, D.C., No. 1, P. M. L. O. O. F., is for the purpose of raising funds to defray the expenses of a trip to Des Moines, Iowa, to take part in a competitive drill which takes place every year at the time the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows meets.

Washington Canton is under the command of Captain B. C. Chisom and Lieutenant Chas. D. Shackelford, and is drilling weekly in order to make a fine showing.

Allison Naylor is chairman of the entertainment committee, and good time is guaranteed to all who attend.

## Notice to the Public.

The Pennsylvania Railroad announces that owing to washout on the Elkhart division, Northern Central railway, the Washington-Rochester sleeping car scheduled to leave Washington at 11:30 p.m. and arrive at Rochester at 11:30 p.m. and be operated via Emporium and Olean; returning same route. This arrangement in effect until resumption of travel via Canandaigua.—Advt.

## Catholic Knights Hold Election.

Immaculate Conception Branch 419, Catholic Knights of America, at its last regular meeting elected officers for the year 1916 as follows: P. J. Quade, president; P. A. Fealy, vice president; J. J. Quade, recording secretary; William M. Becker, financial secretary; John Shugrue, treasurer; Phil Carney, sergeant-at-arms; William Thacker, sentinel; Dr. P. J. Byrnes, trustee for three years.

## Adjourns From Day to Day.

The Court of Appeals met yesterday, with Mr. Justice Morris and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia on the bench. Messrs. W. A. Edwards, Frank N. Renaud and Martin C. Huggert were admitted to practice.

No cases being ready for argument, an adjournment from day to day until Tuesday, January 7, was directed.

## A Chance to Make Beautiful.

One of the best collections of magnificent rare specimens of embroideries, palace hangings, cut velvet, and other costly ever offered at public auction is now in progress at the art gallery of Marcus Notes, 1229 F street. Sale 11 o'clock a.m. and 3 o'clock p.m.—Advt.

## Conveyance Entered of Record.

By deed which has been placed on record the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation of the District of Columbia has conveyed to Arthur T. Bree and William J. Flather parts of the tracts known as Mount St. Albans and Pretty Prospect, on the Tenleytown road. The deed was executed to secure the payment of \$100,000 owing to Thomas Hyde, treasurer, and borrowed by the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation of the District of Columbia.

## A Good Thing for Christmas.

A subscription to The Saturday Star would please some out-of-town friend or relative. Send your order now with one dollar for a year's subscription to start the Saturday before Christmas.

## INSPECTION IN SCHOOLS.

## APPROVAL OF ESTIMATE FOR INSURANCE OF SYSTEM.

## Committee Confers With Commissioners Regarding Medical Examinations—Arguments Advanced.

As reported in The Star yesterday afternoon, the legislative committee of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, after a long session, yesterday afternoon, expressed approval of the estimate submitted by the District board to Congress for \$5,500 to provide for a system of medical inspection in the public schools.

Dr. W. W. Johnston acted as spokesman for the committee. He talked briefly along the lines more fully detailed in a statement that was presented in writing.

Although the inspection of school buildings has been in practice for many years, medical inspection as now understood and practiced dates back not more than a quarter of a century. Medical inspection is the outcome of municipal efforts to check the spread of contagious diseases and to protect the quality of the children that are gathered together in schools.

It is one of the means, if not the principal one, by which many diseases are disseminated in the community.

Valuable as Aid.

"That medical inspection is a valuable aid in preventing the spread of contagious diseases and in saving life by the prompt discovery of disease in children," the report states, "is shown by the gradual extension of this system of inspection to many of the principal cities of this country and of Europe."

Assuming that the value of a proper system of medical inspection is generally recognized, the committee, based upon the observation that the gathering together of children in schools is one of the means, if not the principal one, by which many diseases are disseminated in the community.

Dr. Johnston said the inspectors would not examine each pupil in the schools, but those only who, on the suspicion of having contagious disease, might be sent aside by the teacher for examination and diagnosis. The medical inspectors, in case of contagious disease, might be sent aside by the teacher for examination and diagnosis. The medical inspectors, in case of contagious disease, might be sent aside by the teacher for examination and diagnosis.

The inspectors would also serve in a sanitary capacity and make suggestions as to construction, ventilation, etc.

Exclusion from School.

"The purpose of the medical inspection of schools, as already outlined," continued Dr. Johnston, "cannot be completely executed unless provision is made for the exclusion from school, at the outset, of children not physically and mentally fit for school life. The establishment of a system of medical inspection would doubtless go far toward accomplishing this result, but in order that it may be completely successful, it is necessary to make some provision requiring that every child seeking admission to school shall present satisfactory evidence, in the form of a certificate from the family physician or from some other reliable source, showing that such child has been examined and found in proper condition to attend school."

The cost of maintaining medical inspection of schools will be offset, by at least, by the improved character of the work done by the pupils as the result of their better health. An immediate return can be expected, however, from the reduction of the absence of teachers resulting from an improvement of the sanitary conditions under which they work. And a more important still will result from the medical inspection service is charged in addition with the supervision of the health of applicants for admission to school, and of pupils in attendance there, so as to prevent the training at public expense of pupils who will never be physically able to discharge their duties.

"As the economical administration of a system of medical inspection of schools depends upon the intelligent co-operation of the teachers and the parents, it cannot be given unless such teachers have been properly trained for that purpose, the organization and maintenance of medical inspection is a task which requires the prospective teachers. Lectures should be given in the normal school on the subject of contagious diseases, and the medical inspectors when appointed can instruct the teachers in their divisions on the symptoms of the more common maladies, and in this way the system should be made simplified."

## Indorsement of Medical Society.

Eleven inspectors for the District would provide one inspector for ten school buildings, or about 4,312 pupils. In Chicago there is one inspector for over 5,000 pupils. The statement presented to the Commissioners includes the indorsement of the medical society of the request for an appropriation for the medical inspection, and concludes with the following recommendations:

"That the Commissioners be requested to have legislation authorizing the establishment of such system of medical inspection framed as to provide: That the immediate direction and control of such inspection shall be vested in the District of Columbia, and that such inspection be conducted under rules formulated by the health officer, but duly approved by the board of education and by the Commissioners; and that the health officer be appointed after competitive examination, such examinations to be conducted by the health officer, under the direction of the Commissioners; and that the health officer be the applicant for the duties that he may be called upon to perform."

The attention of the Commissioners and of the board of education be called to the importance of having the pupils now in the normal school taught as thoroughly as possible, in order to secure the best conditions of health from those of disease, and especially how to recognize the earliest manifestations of communicable diseases, so that when they are detected they may be isolated and the health of the community protected.

The Old Virginia Antique Furniture Company has decided to give up their Washington branch at New York street, 14th st. They are closing out their entire stock at a discount of 20 per cent; all goods must be sold at once. They have the largest and rarest old original collection in this country to select from. This is a rare opportunity to secure strictly high-class old Virginia pieces at a very low price. The Old Va. Antique Furniture Co., New York ave. and 14th st. n.w.—Advt.

## Installation of Presbyterian Minister.

Rev. W. S. Hutchison of Callensburg, Pa., having accepted the call to Westminster Church Memorial, he will be publicly installed this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Hutchison comes to his new charge highly spoken of as a young minister of eloquence and power to the pulpit.

The installation is as follows: Rev. W. H. Miller will preside and propose the constitutional questions. Rev. Wallace Radcliffe will preach the sermon. Rev. Donald McLeod will deliver the invocation. The pastor, Rev. Geo. P. Wilson will deliver the charge to the people. Rev. E. Lawrence Hunt will read the scriptural lesson, and Rev. B. F. Hutchison will deliver the closing prayer. Special music will be provided for the occasion.

## Flynn's Business College, 8th and K.

Business shorthand, typewriting—\$25 a year.—Advertisement.

## Georgetown Breaks With Virginia.

The Georgetown University advisory board has voted unanimously to sever all athletic relations with the University of Virginia.

The Virginia made unfounded charges of professionalism against several of the Georgetown men.

## Fine Carriages for Xmas Shopping.

For hire reasonably by the hour, day or week. Downey's Model Stables, 1022-28 L st. Advertisement.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## KUBELIK, THE VIOLINIST—Jan Kubelik, the violinist, made his first appearance at the Washington Theatre last night.

Columbia Theatre before an audience that very nearly filled the house and was representative of the best culture and musical intelligence of the city. His appearance is striking, his face being pale and the pallor is accentuated by the mass of jet black hair that falls over his forehead. He does not show much expression, but when he is playing he seems lost to everything but his work. He is a most difficult feat with the greatest ease and freedom. He dazzles and bewilders his audience by his rapid execution of the most difficult complete master of the purely technical work possible on the violin that has been heard here in many years. His tone is firm, clear and of beautiful quality, approaching at times the sound of the human voice. It has been said that he played without feeling, but this is a mistake. He showed sentiment in his interpretation of the concertos as well as in the andante by Spohr, and in the dainty and delicate by Mendelssohn. One of his encores, his virtuosity was displayed in the Bach prelude, which, aside from the opportunity afforded the player to display his technical skill, is a masterpiece of combined bowing, double stopping, arpeggios, octaves and transfers from high to low. He played it with a dash and vigor that were perfectly bewildering. After this was completed he was recalled again and again and finally he played an unaccompanied "Sextet" from "Lucia."

Miss Jessie Shay played three piano numbers in a manner that was most impressive. Her accompaniment, Mr. Rudolph Friml, who accompanied Kubelik, is entitled to commendation for his intelligent and efficient work.

## JAMES K. HACKETT—The Christmas attraction at the National Theatre will be the play "Don Caesar's Return," which ran for eleven weeks at Wallack's Theatre, New York. In addition to this popular attraction, Mr. Hackett has secured a commendation for his performance of a part which has enlisted the best romantic players of generations. The character of Don Caesar, played by Hackett, is a dramatic role, has been accorded a new treatment by Victor Mappes, and the result is a play that is a masterpiece of dramatic art. It is adapted to picturesque scenic setting and elaborate costuming of the period of Charles the First. The selections of the company numbers fifty people, including such well-known players as Theodore Hamilton, Charles Kent, Brigham Royce, John A. Hackett, and others. The ensemble includes a male chorus and a male and female quartet, contributing excellent musical effects. In brief, it is a drama, a spectacle and a play that has had no equal in the theatre since the advent of the modern theatre.

## THE FOUR COHANS—The Four Cohans came to this city next week prepared to furnish the largest assortment of laughs that has ever been seen in the theatre. Their medium is the new three-act musical farce, "The Governor's Son," from the pen of George M. Cohan. What the Cohan family were to the past generation the Four Cohans promise to be to this. In both instances reputation was won by presenting small plays and making some production of more ambitious but none the less delightful works. The Four Cohans are the more interesting because they are the sons of a famous mother, the famous George M. Cohan. He is not only a comedian of originality and talent, but a gifted writer and actor. He has been known in every corner of the country. Josephine Cohan is girlish and graceful, and an effective demure of a virtuous as a comedienne. The Cohan family is an accomplished woman who might be taken for the elder sister of her children. All have congenial parts in the play, which comes to the Columbia next week.

## "HAZEL KIRKE"—For Christmas week the Below's Stock Company announced the revival of that charming domestic drama "Hazel Kirke," which was written nearly twenty years ago by the late George M. Cohan. It has always maintained its popularity. It will doubtless be a source of great enjoyment to the Lafayette patrons. Miss Lawrence, who played the part of Hazel Kirke, is a most successful actress. The play is a masterpiece of dramatic art. It is adapted to picturesque scenic setting and elaborate costuming of the period of Charles the First. The selections of the company numbers fifty people, including such well-known players as Theodore Hamilton, Charles Kent, Brigham Royce, John A. Hackett, and others. The ensemble includes a male chorus and a male and female quartet, contributing excellent musical effects. In brief, it is a drama, a spectacle and a play that has had no equal in the theatre since the advent of the modern theatre.

## Carnations, Fragrant, Spicy.

There is a quality in flowers. Finest flowers at the Flower Shop, 1126 Conn. ave.—Advt.

## Lecture Course Opens.

The lecture season of the American Society of Religious Education, of which Justice John M. Harlan is president and Rev. J. E. Gilbert secretary, has been begun, and the second lecture of the course will be delivered this evening by Rev. T. S. Hamlin, D. D., pastor of the Church of the Covenant. His subject will be "The Freshman's Year." All lectures are given in the assembly hall of Columbia University, beginning at 8 p.m.

## Death of Peter Kelly.

Information is received here of the death in New York, Friday last, of Peter C. Kelly, who was a prominent union man. He was identified with labor circles here for many years. His wife and three sons survive him. There was present at the funeral a delegation from the New York Granite Cutters' Union. Among the pallbearers were several prominent union men.

## Part of Cemetery Transferred.

By deed placed on record yesterday Seymour W. Tulloch, Benjamin N. Meeds, Sidney P. Norman, all members of the board of officers of the Graceland Cemetery Association, conveyed to the Washington and Annapolis Electric Railway Company a part of the Graceland cemetery tract at 15th and H streets northeast, containing about 40,000 square feet. The consideration was \$25,000.

## Association Incorporated.

Articles incorporating the Ladies' Friendship Association of the District of Columbia have been placed on file in the office of the recorder of deeds. The incorporators are: Louise Amos, Mary Nervo, Barbara E. Powell, Matilda Payne, Virginia Timney, Mary T. Reese and Sallie Reese.

## CITE ITEMS.

Gould's. Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Toys, del-167.

Tree Ornaments, Fancy Paper. Gould's, del-167.

You Can't Properly Keep Xmas Without "Old Braddock" Maryland Rye. Let this pure old rye grace your buffet Xmas day. It makes the finest punch possible. Of grocers', cafes, clubs, and restaurants. D. M. McCarthy, Mgr., 610 Pa. ave. del-167.

Gould's. Tree Toys, Favors, &c. del-167.

Wonders for children. Toys and everything. Gould's, del-167.

New Eggs from Heron Poultry Yards, delivered twice a week, 30c per doz. Drop postal. Henry Reuter, 300 p. ave. del-167.

Open Evenings, Tree Toys. Gould's, del-167.

Millions of new Scrap Book Pictures. Gould's, del-167.

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